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Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of: )  
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Price Cap Performance Review ) CC Docket No. 94-1  
for Local Exchange Carriers )

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**MOTION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME**

The United States Telephone Association (USTA), pursuant to Section 1.46(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 146(b), moves for an extension of time to file reply comments in this docket. For the reasons set forth below, good cause exists to grant USTA's motion and extend the reply comment period by two weeks. Reply comments would then be due on June 22 rather than on June 8.

This proceeding was initiated to review the Commission's price cap plan that applies to local exchange carriers (LECs). On May 9, 1994, thirty-nine parties filed comments on the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Commentors included interexchange carriers, state consumer advocates, competitive access providers, and large business customers as well as associations representing local exchange carriers, cable television providers, libraries, school officials and the computer industry. The LECs subject to the plan and USTA itself filed extensive

comments.

Commentors were generally responsive to the Commission's request for data on a wide variety of issues and so the comments are voluminous with over 3,000 pages filed. A short extension of the reply period will allow all interested parties to review fully the submissions of others and prepare meaningful responses. Consequently, the extension will enable a comprehensive record to be developed that will facilitate the Commission's consideration of the issues.

USTA must review the extensive comments filed, gather necessary data, coordinate the efforts of its consultants and fully integrate the data and expert statements into a comprehensive reply. It will be difficult, if not impossible, to complete this effort in only 30 days. USTA expects that other commentors may be similarly constrained by the short time allotted. Allowing commentors an additional two weeks at this stage could actually expedite the Commission's work later in the proceeding.

As USTA indicated in its comments, this proceeding is one of the most important ever undertaken by the FCC. Granting the short extension requested here will result in a more complete record and will give commentors the opportunity to be fully heard. USTA therefore urges the Commission to

expeditiously grant this motion and extend the reply comment due date until June 22, 1994.

Respectfully submitted,

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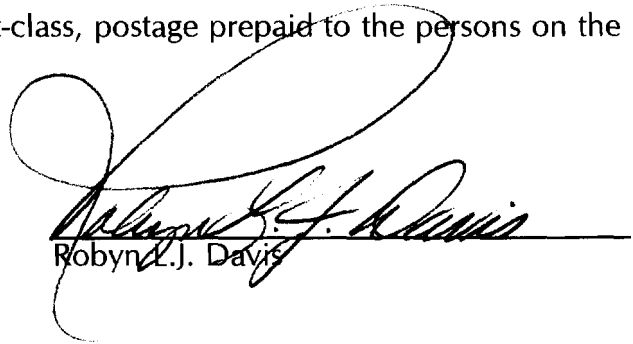
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